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SCHOOL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN**

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FOR THE

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Edson H. Patch.

Town Clerk, Charles S. Vose.

Selectmen, Edson H. Patch, Harry G. Newton, Carl D. Abbott.

Treasurer, Edwin W. Farnum.

Board of Education, Rosa F. Prescott, Robert E. Jellerson, Leon E. Hoyt.

Board of Health, George R. Smith.

Auditors, Robert E. Jellerson, George R. Smith.

Tax Collector, Daniel W. Duncklee.

Highway Agent, Burt W. Smith.

Supervisors, Rodney G. Mills, Walter N. Maxfield, Fred A Pettee.

Library Trustees, Robert E. Jellerson, Annie E. H. Stevens, Fred A. Pettee.

Fence Viewers, Board of Selectmen.

Overseer of Poor, James T. Woodbury.

Sealers of Weights and Measures, Edwin W. Farnum.

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber, Leon E. Hoyt.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown in the County
of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified to vote in Town
Affairs

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for the same.
3. To see if the town will vote to erect a memorial tablet for the World War soldiers, raise or appropriate money for same or take any action relating thereto.
4. To see if the town will vote to install a heating plant in the town hall raise money for same, or take any action relating thereto.
5. To see if the town will vote to increase its Library appropriation or take any action relating thereto.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise or appropriate money for the observance of Memorial Day, or take any action relating thereto.
7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to pay current expenses in anticipation of taxes.
8. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees, heretofore chosen and take action on the same.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this tenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty.

EDSON H. PATCH,
HARRY G. NEWTON,
CARL D. ABBOTT,
Selectmen of Francestown.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY

Land and buildings, less exemptions	\$297,595 00
Horses, less exemption	183 23,230 00
Asses and mules, less exemption	1 100 00
Cows, less exemption	411 34,215 00
Other neat stock, less exemption	71 4,595 00
Sheep, less exemptions	102 1,277 00
Hogs, less exemptions	2 55 00
Fowls, less exemptions	1,106 00
Vehicles and automobiles, less exemptions	12,185 00
Portable mills, less exemption	2 1,000 00
Wood, lumber, etc. (Laws 1911, Ch, 82,) less exemptions	1,650 00
Stock in National Banks in this State less exemptions	200 00
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit, less exemptions	1,752 00
Stock in trade, less exemptions	33,000 00
Mills and machinery, less exemptions	4,775 00
Polls—number 129	387 00
Total, exclusive of exemptions	\$4,170 35
Soldiers' exemptions	7,860 00
Total valuation	\$424,895 00
Rate of taxation \$2.25 on \$100 valuation	

Statement of Tax Collector

Committed by selectmen	\$9,770 66
Interest	2 51
Due on tax list of 1918	37 70
Abatements by order of selectmen	\$18 00
Cash paid treasurer	9,792 87
	\$9,810 87
	\$9,810 87

Abatements

Edwin D. Stevens, over tax	\$9 00
Elbridge R. Welch, Jr., paid in Mer-	
rimack	3 00
Frank Gerrish, paid in Laconia	3 00
Elbridge R. Welch over 70	3 00

	\$18 00

List of Appropriations

State tax	\$2,310 00
County tax	814 88
School tax	3,141 00
Town charges	800 00
Highways, town maintenance	2,000 00
State aid for highways	619 50
Memorial Day	60 00
Overlay	25 28

	\$9,770 66

Assets

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer (Do not include sinking funds)	\$4,621 20
Accounts due to the town:	
Due from State:	
(a) Joint highway accounts, unexpended balance in State Treasury, maintenance	29 70
(b) Joint highway accounts, unexpended balances in State Treasury, Greenfield road	533 58
(c) Joint highway accounts, unexpended balances in State Treasury Mountain road	62 88
Other bills due town:	
From State hedgehog bounty	8 80
(a) Town histories	622 50

(b) Due on hay scales	11 00
(c) Planks for bridge	200 00
Total assets	\$6,089 66
Net Debt—Surplus, January 31, 1919	\$2,085 97
Net Debt—Surplus, January 31, 1920	2,579 97
Increase—Decrease of debt, of surplus	494 00

Liabilities

Accounts owed by the town:	
Due to school districts: (a) Dog licenses	\$82 20
State and town joint highway accounts	
(a) Unexpended balances in State Treasury, Greenfield road	533 58
(b) Unexpended balances in Town Treasury, Greenfield road	889 28
(c) Unexpended balances in town treasury, Greenfield maintenance	29 75
(d) Unexpended balances in town treasury, Mountain maintenance	121 25
Trust Funds, amount of principal used by town:	
Clark Legacy, principal in treasury	1,050 00
Clark Legacy, interest in treasury	53 63
Woodbury Fund, serial notes	750 00
Total liabilities	\$3,509 69
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	2,579 97
Grand total	\$6,089 66

Receipts

CURRENT REVENUE:	
From Local Taxes:	
Amount committed to collector 1919	\$9,770 66
Less discount and abatements, 1919	18 00
Uncollected taxes of previous year	9,752 66 ✓
Total of above collections	\$9,790 36

From State:	
3. For highways	
(b) For state aid construction	326 77
4. Insurance tax	30 75
5. Railroad tax	119 86
6. Savings bank tax	1,014 39
8. Town clerk, automobile tax	102 66
9. State aid for education	5 50
10. Fighting forest fires	7 95
From Local Sources Except Taxes:	
14. Dog licenses	82 20
17. Rent of town hall	58 50
18. Interest received on taxes	2 51
19. Town Histories	7 50
24. Rent for Masonic Hall	50 00
Total receipts from all sources	\$11,598 95
Cash on hand at beginning of year, February, 1, 1919	4,377 24
Grand total	\$15,976 19

Payments

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries	\$485 75
2. Town officers' expenses	118 40
3. Election and registration expenses	13 50
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	96 63

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps	28 10
7. Fire department, including forest fires	15 90
9. Bounties	8 80

Health:

11. Health department, including hospitals	24 06
12. Vital statistics	5 25

Highways and Bridges:

14. State Aid maintenance	17 40
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15. Breaking roads	140 13
16. Town maintenance	1,975 27
17. Street lighting and sprinkling	244 23
18. General expenses of highway department, including watering troughs	98 75
Libraries:	3 00
19. Libraries	118 95
Charities:	
20. Town clock	13 00
21. Hay scales	11 00
Patriotic Purposes:	
22. Aid to G. A. R. and Memorial Day exercises	60 00
Public Service Enterprises:	
27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	91 90

Interest

35. Paid on principal of trust funds used by town	40 50
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Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

36. Highways and bridges—State Aid construction	\$1,222 49
38. Highways and bridges—Town construction, Mt. Crotchet road	4 50

Total outlay payments	\$1,226 99
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Indebtedness

48. Payments to trustees, trust funds	150 00 ✓
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

50. Taxes paid to state	\$2,310 00
51. Taxes paid to County	814 88
53. Payments to School Districts	3,242 60

Total payments to other governmental divisions	\$6,367 48
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Total payments for all purposes	\$11,354 99
Cash on hand at end of year, January 31, 1920	4,621 20

Grand total	\$15,976 19
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

1. Town hall, lands and buildings	\$3,500 00
Furniture and equipment	375 00
2. Libraries, land and buildings	2,000 00
Furniture and equipment	75 00
3. Police department, lands and buildings, equipment, steel cell	50 00
4. Fire department, equipment, chemical engine	200 00
5. Highway department, land and buildings	250 00
Materials and supplies	35 00
7. Water supply, if owned by town	75 00
8. All other property and equipment:	
Four snow rollers	\$250
Two drags	18
Pipe fitting tools	20
	—
Road machine	\$100
Voting booths	20
Safe	100
Sealers equipment	75
	—
Sexton's lowering device	\$65
Two hearses	100
Snow plow	70
Protectograph check writing machine	40
	—
Total	\$7,418 00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1920

Balance in treasury Feb. 1, 1919	\$4,377 24
Receipts:	
Sale Town Histories	7 50
D. W. Duncklee Collector	
Tax list, 1918	\$36 70
Interest tax list 1918	1 00
	—
	37 70

Tax list 1919	\$9,752 66
Interest tax list 1919	2 51

C. S. Vose, Clerk:	9,755 17
Account dog licenses	82 20
Account auto tax 1920	102 66
State Treasurer:	
Insurance tax	\$30 75
Railroad tax	119 86
Savings Bank tax	1,014 39
Account school fund	5 50

Forest fires	1,170 50
Highway department	7 95
Selectmen:	326 77
Account rent Town Hall	\$18 50
Oak Hill Grange rent Town Hall	40 00
	58 50
Pacific Lodge No. 45, A. F. & A. M.	
Rent Masonic Hall	50 00

Total	\$15,976 19
Paid orders of Selectmen	11,354 99

Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1920	4,621 20
Respectfully submitted,	
EDWIN W. FARNUM, Treasurer.	

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Salaries of Town Officers:	
Selectmen, Edson H. Patch	\$125 00
Harry G. Newton	65 00
Carl D. Abbott	100 00
Clerk, Charles S. Vose	25 00
Treasurer, Edwin W. Farnum	40 00
Auditors, Jellerson and Jones	9 00
Tax Collector, Daniel W. Duncklee	100 00
Overseer of Poor, James T. Woodbury	20 00
Board of Health, George R. Smith	1 75

	\$485 75

Town Officers' expenses:

Transcript Printing Co., town reports	\$63 20
Attending Tax Commission, Edson H. Patch, dues and expense	14 86
Attending Tax Commission, Harry G. Newton	3 75
Attending Tax Commission, Carl D. Abbott	7 75
Levi M. Bixby, postage and envelopes	3 80
Edson C. Eastman, tax book	1 49
Edson H. Patch, wood for town office	8 25
E. W. Farnum, auto hire	2 20
F. H. Colburn & Co., supplies	63
George R. Smith, postage and express	3 30
D. W. Duncklee postage, etc.	6 45
E. W. Farnum, postage	2 72

	\$118 40

Bounties:

Hedgehogs, E. H. Patch	8 80
Election and Registration expenses:	
Supervisor, Rodney G. Mills	\$6 00
Walter N. Maxfield	6 00
Fred A. Pettee	1 50

	\$13 50

Account Town Hall:

Janitor Henry T. Miller	\$12 00
Hervey C. Patch	7 00
Carl E. Cilley	28 40
Supplies, Chas. A. Holt	2 50
F. H. Colburn Co.	17 15
Arthur E. Holt	2 08
E. H. Patch, 2½ cords wood	20 50
A. Tarwater, repairing piano	7 00

	\$96 63

Police Department:

George R. Smith, repairing tramp house	\$2 10
E. H. Patch, wood for tramp house	4 00
Willis E. Currier, police duty	3 00
Elgin H. Cilley, police duty	3 00
James T. Woodbury, care of tramps	16 00

	\$28 10

Fire Department:

George R. Smith, state fire warden	15 90
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Health Department:

George R. Smith, health officer, time and expense	\$16 06
Edwin D. Stevens, M. D., vaccinations	8 00
	—————
	24 06

Vital Statistics:

Registering and recording births, mar- riages and deaths, Chas. S. Vose	\$2 25
Registering and returning births and deaths, Edwin D. Stevens, M. D.	3 00
	—————
	\$5 25

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Maintenance—Statistical Account:

Greenfield road, Mark A. Richardson, for dragging	\$17 40
Mt. Crotchet road, Carl D. Abbott	4 50
	—————
	\$21 90

Maintenance—Town Account—

Paid:	
Burt W. Smith, Agent	1,975 27

Street Lighting:

Lighting lamps, Elgin J. Cilley	\$9 00
Thos. F. Foote	126 75
Supplies, W. Basset, Jr.	5 73
F. H. Colburn Co.	59 30
Arthur E. Holt	29 95
Lighting lamps, George H. Stone	13 50
	—————
	244 23

Libraries:

Annual appropriation, Annie E. H. Stevens	\$100 00
Painting floor, P. D. Brooks	7 20
Paint, A. E. Holt	6 75
Wood, George E. Pettee	5 00
	—————
	\$118 95

Breaking Roads Account:

Paid:	
Frank W. Jones	\$7 20
Arthur J. Miller	12 00
Carl D. Abbott	21 50
Arthur Vander Heyden	6 70
C. N. Jelly	2 00

Leon E. Hoyt	9 00
Albert Dodge	80
John W. Carson	1 35
Ralph W. Hill	4 19
Fred O'Neil	14 00
Ernest Merrill	1 50
Albert P. Dodge	2 70
Fred Kirsch	4 80
Mason D. Andrews	1 40
George R. Smith	8 31
Burt W. Smith	6 99
Harold A. Perham	8 00
Albert Dodge Jelly	2 85
E. H. Patch	2 00
L. Edward Bailey	2 67
Albert Jelly	20 17

	\$140 13

General Accounts:

Cutting bushes Carl D. Abbott	\$6 00
Burt W. Smith	32 34
Mason D. Andrews	6 30
George R. Smith	10 33
Highways, F. H. Colburn Co., supplies	28 78
C. P. Trufant, blacksmith	
work	5 80
Auto tax, Chas. S. Vose	3 00
Recording, register of deeds	52
Supplies, A. E. Holt	1 35
Labor, Burt W. Smith	2 33
Public watering trough, Jennie Wilson	2 00
Public watering trough, E. R. Welch	3 00

	\$101 75

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Cemeteries:	
Charles E. Blanchard, mowing Nos.	
1, 2, and 3	\$30 00
A. E. Holt, services as sexton	61 90

	\$91 90

Town Clock:	
Rodney G. Mills, care of clock	13 00
Memorial Day Appropriation, Thos.	
F. Foote	\$60 00

Interest:	
Paid on principal of Trust Funds, on Woodbury Fund note	\$40 50
Indebtedness:	
Paid on principal Woodbury Fund Trustees of Trust Funds	\$150 00
Payments to other Governmental Divisions:	
Taxes paid to state	\$2,310 00
Taxes paid to county	814 88
Payments to school districts	3,242 60

Hay scales, paid Sidney E. Huntington repairing	\$6,367 48
	11 00

STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION—JOINT ACCOUNT

Greenfield road (See detailed statement Carl D. Abbott)	\$1,222 49
Grand total payments	\$11,354 99
Respectfully submitted	
EDSON H. PATCH, HARRY G. NEWTON, CARL D. ABBOTT,	

STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION—JOINT ACCOUNT

GREENFIELD ROAD

Amount of money available April 1, 1919	\$2,855 40
Carl D. Abbott Agt. received from	
Town treasurer	\$1,222 49
Paid:	
Carl D. Abbott, man and team	\$181 00
E. H. Patch, 2 men and team	222 50
A. J. Miller, man and team	132 00
Albert Jelly	102 00
Edgar Cilley	94 50
Arthur Vander Heyden	44 25
Robert P. Bryant	37 50
Arthur St. John	45 00

George Stone	76 13
Elmer Parker	72 00
Harry Smith	42 00
Harry Smith, Jr.	28 50
Alphonso C. Foote	13 50
Clarence Parker	7 50
Will Putnam	6 00
G. W. French	4 50
Mark A. Richardson, gravel	91 80
F. H. Colburn Co., dynamite	
Caps and fuse	20 81
C. D. Abbott cash for fuse and lighting lanterns	1 00

	\$1,222 49
State for culverts	158 46
Engineering	51 59
Balance in state treasury	533 58
Balance in town treasury	889 20

	\$2,855 40

STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION—JOINT ACCOUNT

Mountain Road:

Unexpended balance Jan. 31, 1919		\$125 75
Paid Carl D. Abbott repairing gates	\$4 50	
Balance Jan. 31, 1920	121 25	

		\$125 75

STATE AID MAINTENANCE— JOINT ACCOUNT

Greenfield Road:

Unexpended balance Jan. 31, 1919		\$47 15
Paid Mark A. Richardson for dragging	\$17 40	
Unexpended balance Jan. 31, 1920	29 75	

		\$47 15

MAINTENANCE TOWN ACCOUNT

Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1919	158 19
Amount raised and appropriated	\$2,000 00
Paid Burt W. Smith agent	\$1,975 27
Unexpended balance	182 92

	\$2,158 19

TOWN HALL STATEMENT

Received per summary receipts	\$58 50
Paid as per detailed statement	\$96 63
Balance against town	\$38 13

	\$96 63

WOODBURY FUND STATEMENT

Amount of fund	\$1,000 00
Paid cash on principal	\$250 00
Paid by issue of serial notes	750 00

	\$1,000 00

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT

Received from town treasurer	\$1,975 27
Paid:	
B. W. Smith, labor	\$311 28
W. N. Maxfield, man and team	552 18
B. B. Lockwood, labor	246 56
Arthur St. John, labor	71 69
Geo. R. Smith, labor	16 31
Geo. Stone, labor	72 64
Fred Epps, bridge stringers	15 00
Wittie Currier	24 74
R. C. Smith	52 32
F. H. Colburn Co., man and team	241 40
C. H. Clark bridge stringers	20 20
Oliver St. John, labor	72 64
Arthur Vander Hayden	37 35
Oliver St. John, gravel	8 00
H. A. Gilchrist, man and team	56 68
Joe Lake, labor	6 40
G. & W. Putnam	31 75
J. N. Flanders	1 00
Mark B. Chandler, man and team	26 00
L. E. Bailey, labor	3 00
W. F. Duncklee, labor	6 00
W. F. Duncklee, gravel	2 00
Fred Paige, labor	5 00
John B. Case	1 00
Carl Cilley	33

C. P. Trufant, blacksmith work	11 20	
Carl D. Abbott, man and team	15 70	
Leon E. Hoyt	2 65	
Leon E. Hoyt, gravel	90	
Mark Richardson, gravel	3 40	
		\$1,915 32
Mrs. S. L. Felch, gravel	1 90	
Jennie Wilson, gravel	5 00	
H. G. Newton, gravel	2 70	
W. J. St. Pierre, gravel	2 40	
D. W. Duncklee	40	
F. A. Prescott	5 00	
Wm. Stone	1 10	
H. S. Knight	2 80	
A. B. Paige	1 60	
F. A. Pettee, labor	3 25	
C. W. French, man and team	18 00	
C. N. Stumpf, gravel	6 20	
E. H. Patch, railings	5 00	
Carl D. Abbott, gravel	1 60	
Albert Dodge, labor	3 00	
		\$1,975 27

Estimate of Taxes to be Raised for 1920

State tax	\$1,785 00
County tax	814 88
School money	3,200 00
Serial note	150 00
Highways	1,500 00
State aid construction	625 50
State aid maintenance	2,997 00 2997
Memorial Day	60 00
Library appropriation	100 00
Interest	75 00

Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Francestown, on January 31st, 1920

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at End of Year
May, 18, 1852	Levi Woodbury, Educational Fund	Amoskeag Bank, Manchester, N.H.	\$250 00	4%		\$1 33	\$1 33	
	Town of Francestown, serial notes outstanding	750 00	4½%		101 15	40 50	40 50	
Mar. 9, 1909	Ebenezer Pettee, Cemetery Fund	351 70	4%		34 38	19 25	2 50	117 90
Mar. 13, 1913	Richard Stanley, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		100 00	5 70	1 75	38 33
Mar. 13, 1913	William Boyd, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		100 00	4 56	1 05	18 19
1915	Isacher Dodge, Cemetery Fund	150 00	4%		17 66	6 68	3 05	21 29
July 1, 1916	Ephriam and Chas. Morgan, Cem. Fund	50 00	4%		4 00	2 16	75	5 41
July 1, 1916	Mary A. Bixby, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		8 16	4 32	1 55	10 93
July 1, 1916	Mary C. Abbott, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		8 16	4 32	12 23	
Feb. 15, 1917	Nancy M. Danforth, Cemetery Fund	75 00	4%		6 12	3 24	25	9 11
July 3, 1917	Maria H. Balch, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		5 37	4 20		9 57
Jan. 22, 1918	Almeda L. Felch, Cemetery Fund	200 00	4%		7 33	8 28		15 61
Dec. 1, 1918	Daniel Ordway, Cemetery Fund	100 00	4%		1 67	4 04		5 71
Jan. 3, 1919	James F. Osborne, Cemetery Fund	50 00	4%		1 17	1 17		1 17
	Union Trust Co., Concord	100 00	4%		4 25	75		3 50

ROBERT E. JELLERSON,
RODNEY G. MILLS,
HENRY T. MILLER,
} Trustees.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRANCESTOWN
TOWN LIBRARY**

MARY MANNING FUND

Balance in Amoskeag Savings Bank	
Jan. 31, 1919	\$1,264 60
Interest to July 1, 1919	51 64
Amount in bank Jan, 31, 1920	\$1,316 24

RECEIPTS

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1919	\$0 82
Received from librarian (fines)	7 30
Annual appropriation (town)	100 00
	\$108 12

EXPENDITURES

Library Bureau	\$5 25
Sidney Huntington (cleaning funnel)	1 50
F. H. Colburn & Co. (supplies)	2 42
James R. Barry (book)	9 00
W. P. Goodman (books)	63 88
Mrs. M. Elizabeth McLine, librarian assisted by Miss Lucy Holt	21 50
Mrs. Mary M. Woodbury (services li- brarian)	4 50
Unexpended balance	07
	\$108 12

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE E. H. STEVENS,

FRED A. PETTEE,

ROBERT E. JELLERSON,

Trustees.

BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY 1919

Fiction

- Atherton. The Avalanche.
Bower. The Thunder Bird.
Brainerd. Pegeen.
Burt. The Branding Iron.
Cooke. The Girl Who Lived in the Woods.
Comstock, Sarah. The Valley of Vision.
Comstock, Harriet. The Man Thou Gavest Me.
Connor. The Sky Pilot.
Cooper. Cap'n Abe, Store Keeper.
Cullum. The Story of the Foss River Branch.
Daviess. Blue Grass and Broadway.
Dell. The Lamp in the Desert.
Downs. Redeemed.
Grayson. Adventures in Contentment.
Grayson. Adventures in Friendship.
Grayson. The Friendly Road.
Grayson. Hempfield.
Gregory. Wolf-breed.
Harben. The Cottage of Delight.
Hergersheimer. Java Head.
Gibbs. The Yellow Dove.
Green. That Affair Next Door.
Hawthorne. The House of Seven Gables.
Hendryx. The Promise.
Johnson. In the Name of Liberty.
Keyes. The Old Gray Homestead.
Kyne. The Valley of the Giants.
Kyne. Webster—Man's Man.
Lincoln. The Woman Haters.
Lutz. The Red Signal.
McCall. The Stirrup Latch.
Montgomery. Rainbow Valley.
Porter. Dawn.
Richmond. The Indifference of Juliet.
Richmond. With Juliet in England.
Rhinehart. Love Stories.
Rhinehart. Dangerous Days.
Ruck. His Official Fiance.
Ruck. Miss Millions Maid.
Tarkington. Ramsey Milholland.
Tompkins. A Girl Named Mary.

Webster. The Real Adventure.
 Wells. The Room with the Tassel's.
 Weston. You Never Saw Such a Girl.
 Whittles. The Parish of the Pines.
 Wright. The Re-Creation of Brian Kent.

War Books

Lauder. A Minstrel in France.
 Palmer. America in France.
 Allen. The Great War. Vol. 4.

Poetry.

Kipling. Poems of

Reference

Faulkner. A Dictionary of Synonyms.

Juvenile

Aldridge. The Meadow Brook Girls on the Tennis Courts.
 Brown. The Spanish Chest.
 Burgess. The Adventures of Poor Mrs. Quack.
 Burgess. The Adventures of Old Man Coyote.
 Burgess. The Adventures of Paddy the Beaver.
 Burgess. The Adventures of Reddy the Fox.
 Carr. Nan Sherwood at Lakeview Hall.
 Carr. Nan Sherwood's Winter Holidays.
 Carr. Nan Sherwood at Pine Camp.
 Douglass. Helen Grant, Teacher.
 Douglass. Helen Grant's Harvest Year.
 Hope. The Bobbsey Twins on the Deep Blue Sea.
 Hope. Bunny Brown and his Sister Sue and their Shetland
 Pony.
 Mabie. Famous Stories Every Child Should Know.
 Mabie. Heroes Every Child Should Know.
 Mabie. Heroines Every Child Should Know.
 Rolt, Wheeler. The Wonder of War in the Air.
 Scott. Ben Stone at Oakdale.
 Scott. Boys of Oakdale Academy.
 Scott. Oakdale Boys in Camp.
 Scott. The New Boys at Oakdale
 Scott. Rival Pitchers at Oakdale.
 Scott. The Great Oakdale Mystery.
 Sidney. Phronie Pepper.
 Winfield. The Rover Boys Under Canvas.

Appreciation is expressed for books given the library by Mr.
 Robert George from the Estate of Miss Frances George.

**FINANCIAL ACCOUNT OF SCHOOLS FROM SEPT. 1, 1918
TO AUG. 31, 1919**

RECEIPTS	
Balance in treasury Aug. 31, 1918	\$48 88
Sept. 21, received from town account school money	250 00
Oct. 23, received from town account school money	400 00
Nov. 23, received from town account school money	300 00
Dec. 14, received from town account school money	300 00
Jan. 1, 1918, state (literary fund)	52 65
Jan. 1, 1918, Superintendent's salary	250 00
Jan. 31, balance of school money from town	1,910 00
Received from Chas. E. Merrill (rebate)	.36
Received from town, dog licenses	101 60
Received from town, salary of school board	100 00
Received from town additional money voted at 1919 school meeting	200 00
 Total receipts	 \$3,913 49
Total expenditures	3,546 59
 Balance in treasury Aug. 31, 1919	 \$366 90

TEACHERS' SALARIES, FALL TERM

Dorothy L. Farley	\$195 00
Ruth Jellerson	143 00
Mary Riddle	195 00
Helena L. Steele	208 00

	\$741 00

WINTER TERM

Helena L. Steele	\$128 00
Mary L. Riddle	120 00
Dorothy L. Farley	120 00
Ruth Jellerson	11 00

	\$379 00

SPRING TERM

Helena L. Steele	\$208 00
Elsa R. Johnson	169 00
Annie S. Clark	169 00
Dorothy L. Farley	195 00

	\$741 00
Total	\$1,861 00

CARRYING SCHOLARS

Mrs. C. F. Bailey	\$166 00
James T. Woodbury	169 00
Mrs. Mary J. Bailey	166 00
G. W. & W. A. Putnam	45 00
Mrs. E. R. Welch	27 00
Wm. A. Putnam	81 60

	\$654 60

JANITOR SERVICE (Building Fires)

Mrs. C. F. Bailey	\$11 83
Mrs. E. H. Piper	6 50
Mrs. Albert Jelly	1 75
Mrs. Charles Perusse	5 25
Ruth Jellerson	2 00
George L. Hoyt	1 75
Harold Perham	3 00
Elsie Perusse	3 00

	\$35 08

WASHING FLOORS

Mrs. C. F. Bailey	\$24 75
Mrs. E. H. Piper	8 05
Mrs. Albert Jelly	4 90
Mrs. Charles Perusse	5 25
Geo. L. Hoyt	1 75
Elsie Perusse	1 40

	\$46 10

CLEANING SCHOOL HOUSES

Mrs. C. F. Bailey	\$2 00
Mrs. E. H. Piper	1 00
Mrs. Albert Jelly	2 00
Mrs. Charles Perusse	2 25

	\$7 25

FUEL

E. L. Dow, 2 cords wood	\$12 00
James Perham, 1 cord sawed wood	11 00
George I. Hoyt, sawing and splitting 3 cords	4 00
Harold Perham, 2 cords wood	12 00
Kenneth Merrill, sawing and putting in	1 25
Blanch Epps, kindlings	1 00
Chas. H. Clark, 1 cord dry wood	7 00
Arthur J. Miller; drawing wood	2 00
B. B. Lockwood, sawing and splitting	3 00
John W. Carson, 4 cords wood	22 00
Harold Perham, kindling, sawing and splitting	3 50
Leon E. Hoyt, 3 cords dry wood	14 00

	\$92 75

TUITIONS

Peterborough School District	\$11 00
John W. Carson Academy	100 00

	\$111 00

TEXT BOOKS

Charles Scribner	\$ 68
Ginn & Co.	1 52
American Book Co.	2 75
A. N. Palmer Co.	80
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	7 37
E. E. Babb	1 58
Charles Scribner Sons	3 82
Charles E. Merrill Co.	36
Hinds Hayden & Eldridge	12 40
D. C. Heath	1 89

	\$32 17

SUPPLIES

E. E. Babb	\$24 98
J. L. Hammett & Co.	7 82
Boston Paper Board Co.	5 50
Geo. O. Smith	4 35

	\$42 65

MISCELLANEOUS

Oliver St. John, freight, express and cartage	\$3 37
Leon E. Hoyt, repairs on schoolhouses	2 75
E. E. Babb, rear seat for No. 6	4 00
Mrs. E. H. Piper, oil and washing powder	96
E. O. Nason, glass and glazing same	2 20
A. E. Holt, school house supplies	1 81
F. H. Colburn Co., school house sup- plies	7 68
R. E. Lane, order book	1 05
Harold Perham, broom	50
Oval & Koster, diplomas and postage	4 67
Rosa F. Prescott, ribbon	1 00
James T. Woodbury, district clerk (2 years)	5 00

	\$34 99

SALARY OF SCHOOL BOARD

Leon E. Hoyt, chairman of Board, truant officer and enumerator	\$50 00
Rosa F. Prescott	25 00
Robert Jellerson (two terms)	15 00
Maria A. Richardson 1 term	10 00

	\$100 00

EXPENSES OF SCHOOL BOARD

Maria A. Richardson, two trips to Keene, to form supervisory district and hire superintendent	\$5 00
Rosa F. Prescott, same	5 00
Leon E. Hoyt, same	5 00
Leon E. Hoyt, postage, telephone and stationery	5 00
Carroll F. Clark, auto hire to Peter- borough to attend district meeting	3 00

	\$23 00

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY AND DISTRICT EXPENSES

Rosa F. Prescott, district treasurer	\$505.00
LEON E. HOYT.	

Financial Statement From Sept. 1st, 1919 to Jan. 31 1920

Teachers salaries	\$1,276 00
Transportation	604 60
Fuel	72 75
Building fires	27 05
Washing floors	20 30
Cleaning schoolhouses	16 50
Books	44 80
Supplies	59 21
Repairs	36 25
Miscellaneous	231 12
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	\$2,388 58

Respectfully submitted,

ROSA F. PRESCOTT,

ROBERT E. JELLERSON,

LEON E. HOYT,

School Board.

The School Board submits to the district the following estimate of funds needed from taxation in order to carry on the schools for the year beginning Sept. 1, 1920:

I.

For support of schools	\$1,435 00
For purchase of text books and supplies	160 00
For purchase of flags and appurtenances	10 00
For payment of High school tuition	400 00
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Amount required for above items	\$2,005 00
Estimate of amount of a \$5 tax on the 1920 inventory	\$2,050 00
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II. Requirements to meet budget:

For support of elementary schools (The \$5 tax)	2,050 00
For High school tuition	400 00
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Total for support of schools	\$2,450 00
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The following assessments are required:

For support of schools, purchase of books, supplies, flags, and payment of High School tuition	\$2,005 00
Estimate of \$3.50 tax	\$1,435 00
Estimate of additional amount required	570 00
For payment of per capita tax (statu- tory)	176 00

ROLL OF HONOR

Clyde Hopkins	Carroll Dow
Harry Miller	Alice Dow
Lenna Miller	Nellie Nutting
Irene Perham	Alexina Perusse
Irene Dow	Greta French

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE FRANCESTOWN
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

FOR YEAR ENDING AUG, 31, 1919

Balance Sept. 1, 1918	\$48 88
Receipts:	
Town treasurer's account	\$3,160 00
Literary Fund	52 65
Superintendent's salary	250 00
Dog licenses	101 60
Extra money	200 00
Salaries of school board	100 00
Charles E. Merrill Co., rebate on books	36
Total	\$3,913 49
Paid order of School Board	3,546 59
Balance in treasury Sept. 1, 1919	\$366 90

Respectfully submitted,
EDWIN W. FARNUM,
Treasurer School District.

This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen, town treasurer, road agent, tax collector and town clerk, and found them correctly cast and properly vouched

ROBERT E. JELLERSON,
GEORGE R. SMITH,

Auditors.

This certifies that I have examined the accounts of the school board, district treasurer, trustees of the trust funds for the Town of Francestown, trustees of the public library and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE R. SMITH.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board of Frantestown:

Herewith is submitted for your consideration my first annual report on the condition of your schools. My term of service with you began in September, and this report is based on a knowledge of your schools gained since that time.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

It is the policy of the State Board of Education that, in time, each district in the state shall possess school buildings of an adequate standard, so that every child in the state may attend a school in a sanitary building, suitably lighted, properly cared for, and adequately equipped with the requisite amount of school appliances necessary to conduct successfully the process of education. To this end certain minimum standards were set forth to which all buildings must conform. These standards, as I understand it, will be increased, with the idea in mind that each school district shall adopt a definite policy of school house improvement in order to meet these standards more fully from year to year. In this way, by taking one school building a year, and bringing it up to standard, it will not be long before each district will have a school plant of which it may be proud. It is quite necessary, therefore, that in the appropriations for this year some definite step along this line may be taken.

For the purpose of ascertaining how nearly the school buildings in the state conform to the minimum standards a survey of all one room schools was made. How do the buildings in Frantestown stand in reference to meeting these standards?

There are two buildings in use at the present time outside of the village, number one and number four. These do not conform to the standards set, and the one in number four, especially, falls considerably below the requirements.

In regard to light and ratio between lighting space and floor space should be as one to five, or the lighting space should be one fifth of the floor area. Neither one of these buildings meet requirements in this respect, the ratio being one ninth and one eleventh respectively. The direction of the light shall be from the rear and the left. In both of these buildings the light enters from three sides. The same is true, also, of the building in the Village.

Papered walls have only temporary approval, and the walls and ceiling must be tinted in a suitable color. All the buildings

have papered walls, in poor condition, and the ceilings are smoked up and need retinting. In the village, during the Xmas vacation, the ceilings were tinted and the floors oiled, together with some other minor improvements, and this has added to the appearance of the rooms to a considerable degree.

Toilets shall be in sanitary condition, properly screened, suitably located, and treated regularly with some kind of disinfectant. The toilets at number one are in fairly good condition and will meet requirements, I think. At number four the one toilet, used by both boys and girls, is totally inadequate, is in very poor condition, and the location is unsuitable. The toilets in the Village, also, are in bad shape, especially the girls. It is quite necessary that this matter be attended to as soon as possible.

These are the three most prominent points in which actual conditions and proposed standards differ, and they will need a special appropriation to be remedied. Minor points exist but could probably be financed out of the five per cent. allowed from school money.

All buildings need a thorough cleaning. It would seem that a definite policy of school house cleaning should be formed and carried out in order that this important matter might receive the attention it deserves. School rooms should receive during the summer, at least, a thorough cleaning, with necessary inside painting, and at least three times a year the floors should be scrubbed and the woodwork cleaned where necessary. Education is vastly more than imparting a certain amount of information about various conventional subjects. It should go deeper and train and develop the powers of the child and create within him the right ideals, but to do this in surroundings which seem to indicate a lack of appreciation of these ideals is extremely difficult.

ATTENDANCE

From an examination of the statistical table appended it will be seen that the total enrollment for the fall term was 80, the average membership for the four schools reporting 53.7, and the average attendance 48. The per cent. of attendance for these schools was 89.7. It is to be hoped that we may be able to increase this per cent for the remainder of the year. There is no reason why, unless some unforeseen circumstances arise, we should not reach the 94 or 95 per cent. standard, and if we could I am very sure it would have a direct bearing on the progress of the children in their school work. Regularity in

attendance is absolutely essential to the steady progress of the child, and it vitally affects his attitude toward school. A day lost from school work cannot be successfully made up, and if a child is allowed to stay out of school for trivial reasons he soon comes to regard school as a mere incident in his life instead of the business of his childhood. A realization of the importance of this matter would, I feel sure, bring about the desired result. It is primarily a matter for parents to attend to.

THE COURSE OF STUDY

The course of study as laid out in the state Program is the one followed. In addition to this certain standards of attainment for the first three grades have been established by the State Board. It is expected that these standards will be met by the end of the school year, and it is hoped that more can be done. These grades in your schools will, I think, meet these requirements and, in certain cases, will exceed them.

It would be an advantage if the work in the Academy was outlined more definitely, and made to articulate more closely with the work in the upper grades of the grammar school. Two years of regular High School work could be done in the Academy, and made to follow, logically, the work of the grammar grades. These two years, probably, would be approved by the State Department, and the pupils completing this course could be credited with these two years work. In that case the district would be holden for the tuition for only the last two years in outside High Schools, whereas, at present, it is liable for the full four years. Of course this is a matter for the trustees of the Academy to take up.

TEACHERS

Effective schools are dependent more largely upon good teachers than upon any other single factor. Equipment and buildings and physical conditions may modify the work, but without the good teacher all these other factors are of no avail. I am glad to report that the work of the present corp of teachers is, on the whole effective and thorough.

How to furnish and maintain an effective teaching force is a problem which confronts every school district in the state, and the country at large as well. The shortage of teachers has become critical, and it certainly is incumbent upon all to consider well how the crisis can be met.

The most obvious solution of the problem is a sufficient increase in the salary to make the profession attractive to capable men

and women. This remedy is being applied, and it will have to be more largely so if the desired result is obtained. Salaries will have to correspond more nearly to the importance of the work and to the skill and training necessary to perform it successfully. This is inevitable.

There are other factors also which enter into the situation such as the location of the school, the character of the boarding place, and the conditions under which the teacher is forced to live. The average pay of the teachers in Frantestown is approximately \$18 per week. This is somewhat below the state average this year, I think. But the question is, not whether we are up to the average or not, but is whether the salary is sufficient to attract the kind of teachers the welfare of the children demand. If the present force of teachers should leave I doubt very much whether we could fill their places with teachers equally skilled at the same salary.

The character of the work in the different schools has, of course, varied somewhat according to the personality of the teacher and the attitude of the parents and pupils toward school. It has, on the whole been thorough and performed in a faithful manner. The progress of the children is dependent upon many factors, not the least of which is the hearty cooperation of the home and the school. This can be brought about only by a thorough understanding of the methods and ideals of each by the other. To this end it is hoped that the parents will find more opportunity to visit school and confer with the teacher and school officials regarding the progress of their own individual child. In this way the ideals of the home and the school can be unified and the work of both strengthened.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. PRIOR.

Statistical Table for Fall Term of 1919, Fifteen Weeks

SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	EDUCATION	Per cent. of Attendance	Average Membership	Enrollment	Average Membership	Per cent. of Attendance	Other Visits
Academy	Maria Richardson	Mt. Holyoke	7	6.1	5.1	85	12	5
Grammar	Dorothy Farley	Hollis High	21	18.3	16.3	90	25	13
Primary	Elizabeth Savage	Plymouth Normal 1 year	22	14.6	13.6	95	5	10
Number 1	Eva St. John	Cushing Academy	11	Other	data missing		7	
Number 4	Annie S. Clark	High School	19	15	13	87	21	6
Number 6	School closed						18	
		Total	80	57.3	48	89.7	63	34.30

VITAL STATISTICS
1919

Births Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919.

Date 1919	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
	Sex L. S.	No. of Chil- dren L. S.					
Jan. Feb.	19 Raymond W. 2 Lilla Ellen	M L F L F L F L M L F L F L	4 Raymond W. Perham 1 Samuel Johnson 2 Carroll F. Clark 1 William A. Lord 5 Carl Abbott 6 A. J. Vander Heyden 5 Harry E. Smith	Arville R. Fiske Sarah M. Gilley Marion H. Prescott N. Caroline Morse Pearl Bryant Mary E. Dubee Esther O. Foot	Farmer Lumbering Merchant	Wilton Finland Hancock	Worcester, Mass. Dublin Francestown New Boston St. Onezime, Canada
April	1 Elizabeth	F L	2 Carroll F. Clark	Farmer	Francestown	Francestown	Francestown
May	5 Carl Dana	M L	5 Carl D. Abbott	Farmer	Francestown	New Boston	St. Onezime, Canada
May	17 Lora Yvonne	F L	6 A. J. Vander Heyden	Farmer	Francestown	St. Onezime, Canada	Francestown
Aug.	31 Virginia Frances	F		Laborer	Francestown	Greenfield	Francestown

Marriages Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage		Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Resi- dence of Person by whom Married
		Age	Sex					
Nov. 19 Francestown	Wm. F. McLine M. Eliz. Jellerson	29 Francestown	Male France	Farming At home	London, Eng. Melrose, Mass.	Mike McLine Robert E. Jellerson Cynthia M. Duncklee	England France Watertown, Mass. Greenfield	Rev. O. M. Lord Greenfield

Deaths Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1919

Date 1919	Place of Death	Name	Place of Birth	Occupation	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years Days	Months	Years Days	Months	Years Days	Months	
Jan. 4	Francestown	Elmer E. Wilson	56	22	Antrim	M M Retired	Elmer Wilson	Ora A. Wilson
Jan. 5	"	Edward F. Roper	87	19	Francestown	M W Jeweler	Merrick Roper	Susan Fairbanks
Mar. 4	"	Ellen F. George	72	1	Goffstown	F S Domestic	Amos George	Dorothy Turner
Mar. 4	"	John M. Morse	70	9	Francestown	M M Farmer	John G. Morse	Laurella H. Bradford
April 20	"	Nelson F. Flanders	26	8	Lynn, Mass.	M S Laborer	James N. Flanders	Nina L. Reed
Aug. 16	Nashua	Marie L. St. John	56	1	Canada	F M Domestic	Reni Chantal	Sarah Parker
Sept. 10	Francestown	Henry H. Lynch	42	4	Francestown	M S Mechanic	Hiram Lynch	Frances A. Morgan
Dec. 3	"	Laura E. Morse	55	6	Prov'd'ce, R.I.	F W Domestic	Henry H. Healy	Sarah Spaulding
Dec. 8	"	Sarah E. Holt	72	3	Greenfield	F S Domestic	Stephen Holt	

BODIES BROUGHT TO TOWN FOR BURIAL

Feb. 5	New Boston	R. W. Perham	17	New Boston	M S	Wilton	Worcester, Mass.	Arvilla R. Fiske
March 27	Nashua	George Richardson	41	10	12, Francestown	M S	Lyndeboro	Swampsc't, Ms.
June 7	Hancock	M. B. Elliott	78	1	18, Mason	M S	Lyndeboro	George H. Richardson
July 1	Amherst	Leon B. Bryant	31	9	10, Francestown	M M	Francestown	Hannah M. Harding
Aug. 26	Grafton	Horace Monahan	72	11	27, Francestown	M M	Francestown	Ella M. Bradford
Dec. 5	Mt. Vernon	Walter H. Foot	56	5	15, Francestown	M M	Deering	Sarah A. Hart
								Rebecca G. Whitfield

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES S. VOSE, Town Clerk

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